

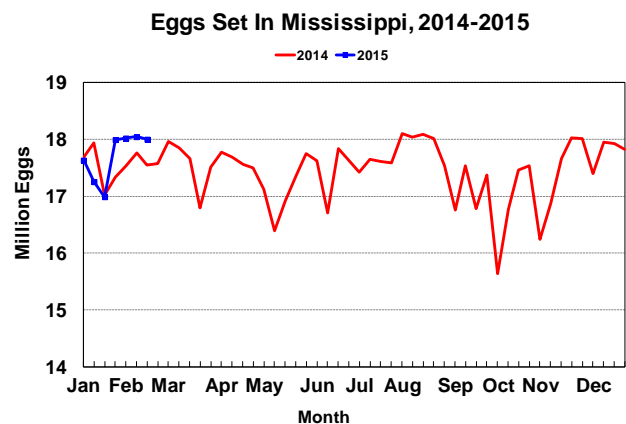
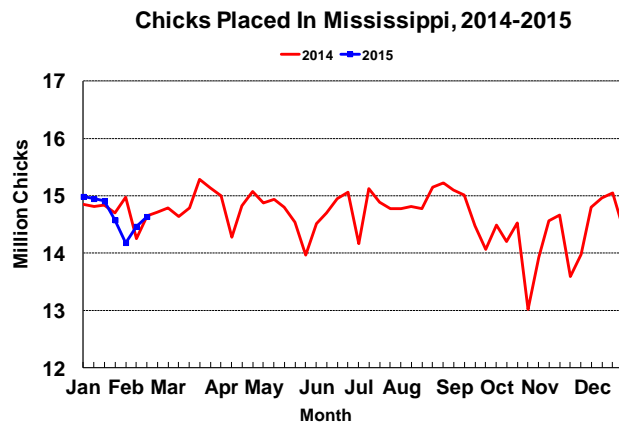


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Mississippi Chick Placements Down Slightly from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Mississippi were 14.6 million during the week ending February 14, 2015. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week in 2014 but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Mississippi hatcheries set 18.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending February 14, 2015, up 3 percent from the same period last year but down slightly from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, January 17, 2015 - February 14, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	17-Jan	24-Jan	31-Jan	7-Feb	14-Feb	17-Jan	24-Jan	31-Jan	7-Feb	14-Feb
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	29,141	28,687	28,810	28,699	29,158	21,189	21,962	22,338	21,710	21,868
Arkansas	21,716	21,740	21,845	21,348	21,305	19,009	18,481	18,937	19,493	20,226
Delaware	4,760	4,773	4,786	4,820	4,778	5,201	5,610	4,951	4,576	5,030
Florida	1,223	1,221	920	1,224	1,221	1,355	1,231	1,366	1,518	1,304
Georgia	34,409	34,183	33,083	33,719	33,367	26,557	27,442	27,040	27,625	27,184
Kentucky	8,006	7,877	7,647	7,901	7,811	6,291	6,678	6,118	7,036	5,577
Louisiana	3,817	3,833	3,863	3,833	3,833	3,414	3,426	3,407	3,342	3,342
Maryland	7,739	7,695	7,572	7,572	7,809	5,711	5,856	5,915	6,698	5,948
Mississippi	17,416	17,993	18,020	18,044	18,000	14,907	14,577	14,180	14,541	14,635
Missouri	8,268	8,256	8,227	8,195	8,194	5,266	6,173	5,746	5,946	5,429
N. Carolina	20,876	20,533	20,962	21,133	21,151	16,345	16,138	16,385	16,281	16,714
Oklahoma	6,260	6,611	6,384	6,377	6,588	5,493	4,418	4,597	3,911	3,942
Pennsylvania	4,390	4,364	4,067	4,352	4,498	3,967	3,847	4,020	3,931	3,918
S. Carolina	5,148	5,524	5,447	5,502	5,567	5,023	5,050	5,083	4,266	4,678
Texas	15,150	14,985	15,266	15,311	15,357	12,160	12,529	12,056	11,950	11,935
Virginia	6,590	6,407	6,434	6,534	6,547	5,303	5,170	5,358	5,676	4,703
CA,TN & WV	11,638	11,618	11,969	11,322	11,328	12,066	10,508	10,593	10,349	11,215
19 State Total	206,547	206,300	205,302	205,886	206,512	169,257	169,096	168,090	168,849	167,648
% of Prev. Year	103	102	102	103	103	102	103	102	103	102
Other States	7,840	7,813	7,842	7,847	7,939	5,975	5,942	6,480	5,659	6,372
U.S. Total	214,387	214,113	213,144	213,733	214,451	175,232	175,038	174,570	174,508	174,020

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 14, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 14, 2015, up 3 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 14, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 14, 2015, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through February 14, 2015 for the United States were 1.05 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.